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In re Application of :
John Hossack, et al. :
Application No. 09/369,510 :
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 28, 2002, to revive the above-identified application which is being treated as a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment.


The petition is **GRANTED**.

A non-final Office action was mailed on November 27, 2001 setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period within which to submit a reply. Petitioner submitted a reply to the Office via certificate of mailing on February 14, 2002. Upon review of the application file, it is noted that the reply was placed in the application file but not made of record. In view thereof, the reply was timely filed and this application was improperly held abandoned. Accordingly, no petition fee has been charged to petitioner's deposit account.

The Office wishes to apologize for the delay in processing the reply. Any inconvenience to petitioner is regretted.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 306-3475.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 2600


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